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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants herewith petition that the period for response to the Office Action mailed on October 11, 2006 in the above-identified application be extended for one month, to and including, December 11, 2006. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency of this fee to Deposit Account 11-0980.

Sincerely,

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